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Drug forfeiture funds returned to township

Don Howard
Staff Writer

The Plymouth Township Police Department is showing signs of recovery after a probe by U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) into the accounting practices used by township officials for federal drug forfeiture funds.

The federal investigation that continued for nearly three years in the midst of a departmental sex scandal and several whistleblower lawsuits has ended, according to Police Chief Tom Tiderington.

> *"Plymouth Township Police Department is now a compliant Equitable Sharing Program participant…*

Missing funds, incomplete reports, inaccurate and faulty records and a failure of generally accepted accounting practices prompted both the state and federal government to take punitive action against Plymouth Township including a freeze of $185,000 of drug forfeiture funds and the withholding of nearly $400,000 of funds due the township.

Federal officials had threatened to extinguish Plymouth Township from the program which has generated $1.9 million since 2010 if immediate corrective action was not forthcoming.

Last week, Tiderington announced that he had received a letter dated May 18, from the Office of the Inspector General, Money Laundering and Asset Recovery Section, releasing frozen drug forfeiture funds that were seized in April 2016.

"Plymouth Township Police Department is now a compliant Equitable Sharing Program participant…" stated

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The six-horse Clydesdale team will appear in the Belleville National Strawberry Festival Parade on Saturday representing the Huron Clinton Metro Parks.

Celebrate

Weekend festivals fill area with family fun

From Northville to Belleville and Canton Township, this will be festival weekend throughout the area.

The 41st Annual Belleville National Strawberry Festival will take place beginning tomorrow, June 16, with six venues offering attractions throughout the weekend. Main Street in downtown Belleville will offer a juried craft sale, a carnival midway sponsored by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, vendors and a children's area featuring a White Tiger Exhibit.

Main Street will also be the site of the annual Strawberry Parade which will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday. A special attraction, among many others this year, will be the team of six Clydesdale horses representing the Huron-Clinton Metroparks. The famous team is from the Greenwood Farms Clydesdale Horse Farm, a family-owned and operated farm. The Clydesdales pull a completely restored wagon that advertises the 13 Metroparks. Greenwood Farms employees will be on hand to interact with the public and answer questions about the Clydesdale breed and help pose photographs with the horses.

The Strawberry Queen and her court will also ride in the parade along with numerous other costumed characters, floats and bands.

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce is also sponsoring the carnival at St. Anthony Catholic Church where there are strawberry baked goods for sale, a raffle, lots of live entertainment, children's games and helicopter rides. There is also a pancake breakfast and Polish dinner available at St. Anthony's on Sunday, along with many other attractions and entertainment.

St Trinity Episcopal church will have the annual baked goods sale under way all weekend with Strawberry Pie, cheesecake and many other treats along with their famous sloppy joes. There is also a craft show at the church.

There are attractions at Belleville Presbyterian Church including tours of the original Martha Mary Chapel.

The festival offers free shutter service from free parking at the Belleville Presbyterian Church on Belleville Road.

Canton Township is celebrating the 26th annual Liberty Fest which began at 1 p.m. today with rides and attractions opening today in Heritage Park, behind the Administration Building on Canton Center Road.

The festival includes carnival rides, games, and special attractions including the International Festival which

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One of the highlights of the Canton Liberty Fest is the fireworks display which closes the three-day event Saturday evening.

Romulus council adopts new budget

Romulus residents will see the same millage rate during the 2017-2018 budget year-at least for their city taxes.

Members of the city council approved last month the regular budget for the next fiscal year which will become effective July 1.

"From my experience, there's no perfect budget, but I think this is a very good budget," said Romulus Mayor LeRoy Burcroff.

The approved general fund budget shows about $21 million in expenses over about $18.3 million in revenue, which necessitated a $2.653 million transfer from the general fund balance.

"Unfortunately, some of our costs continue to go up," Burcroff said. "We're battling the economy. We're bouncing back, but it's not bouncing back the way people think the stock market does."

A combination of Proposal A and the Headlee Amendment puts a cap on potential increases in property taxes every year to 3 percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less. So, while property values climb, municipal revenues do not keep pace. Also, the Michigan legislators have been reducing state shared revenue paid to local communities in an attempt to balance the state budget.

"All of the communities in Michigan are dealing with the same broken system," Burcroff said.

The budget sets aside more than $3.5 million for local and major roads and includes $576,000 in Community Development Block Grants-federal funds distributed through Wayne County to fund programs, projects and services in low income areas. It also provides funding for a sophisticated body camera system for the police department.

Burcroff said pending development will add additional money to city coffers, as well. The proposed Project Mercury, which could be official as soon as July, will bring about 1,600 jobs to the community through an 865,000-square-foot distribution center on 85 acres of land off Ecorse and Vining roads. There are residential projects in the works, and interest in some of the empty downtown building, too, he added.

Northville - Plymouth

Joint fire agreement troubles trustees

Don Howard
Staff Writer

A plan to re-open a long-closed fire station in Plymouth Township using a joint governmental agreement may be hindered by unanswered questions and unclear guidelines.

Amid growing tensions regarding the details of a pending Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees have continued to scrutinize the proposed plan and voice their concerns. Trustees have strongly suggested during recent meetings that implementation of the agreement be postponed until problematic and critical fire department elements are discussed and clarified.

Plymouth trustees recently approved the hiring of three new full-time firefighters. Those new hires and the implementation of the IGA will increase total daily staffing from six to seven for the three fire stations in the township. Lake Pointe Station No. 2 would operate with two firefighters. Northville Township would staff the Lake Pointe station with two firefighters to respond to Northville Township calls.

One of the other major issues trustees have questioned is patient transport by a private ambulance company rather than fire department personnel.

Trustees have been discussing the unsigned formal agreement titled, "Operation of Fire Station #2 in the Charter Township of Plymouth," crafted by Plymouth Township attorney Kevin Bennett and edited by Northville Township officials. A prior review meeting attended by Northville Township Manager Chip Snider, Northville Township Public Safety Director Todd Mutchler, Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise and Plymouth Township Fire Chief Dan Phillips took place before the agreement was presented to Plymouth Township trustees at a recent study session.

Trustees have been reviewing and analyzing the proposed agreement during the past few weeks as concerns have escalated.

Most board members have said they agree that it is time to revisit a decades-long agreement with Huron Valley Ambulance Company (HVA), an Ann Arbor non-profit. According to public discussion, HVA is permitted to field all medical dispatch calls, respond to EMS scenes and transport patients, "without any type of contract, performance standard or accountability." Plymouth Township and the City of Plymouth utilize HVA as the designated provider of ambulance transport service, in place of the Plymouth Township Fire Department and Northville Fire Department in the city. HVA is allowed to bill and collect ambulance transport fees directly from patients and/or insurance carriers for transport services in the both the city and township of Plymouth.

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Plymouth Township fire fighters have claimed for years that this could be a profit center for the township, helping to fund the fire department costs.

Heise claims HVA controls a four-county market for patient-moving hospital services. They are licensed to operate in Washtenaw, Wayne, Oakland and Livingston counties. Ann Arbor based HVA employs more than 400 Emergency Medical Technicians and paramedics and operates a garage facility in Plymouth. Heise said he's already asked HVA CEO Dale Berry to draft a contract proposal.

"I think we should have some type of HVA agreement if we are going to use them." Heise recently told board members.

According to people familiar with the Northville Township Fire Department operations, an unwritten policy dictates that they not to use a supplemental ambulance service model like the one in Plymouth and Plymouth Township. They currently use Community EMS, an Advanced Life Support service, only when their ambulance rigs are not available.

Plymouth Township Trustee Bob Doroshewitz has raised concerns and criticism about the IGA proposal at the public meetings. He said he also wants to examine the HVA arrangements. Doroshewitz said he believes problems with the current HVA arrangement have to do with the absence of a Service Level Agreement.

"We as a board have to make a series of strategic decisions. Right now there is no guaranteed level of service. "We must define what the service level is, have vendors calculate their compliance and response times and then compare those levels." Doroshewitz has openly criticized the proposed agreement with Northville Township.

"With the pending arrangement the bulk of the expenses will be borne by Plymouth Township," Doroshewitz said. "We're carrying all the expense."

Plymouth Township Trustee Jack Dempsey said it's not that the enthusiasm for opening the Lake Pointe fire station has waned with board members, but concern over whether it will work safely and efficiently that is causing the controversy.

Patient transport is a known profit center for many area fire departments. Dempsey said he wants HVA to address the township board to answer questions and he wants to consider at viable options.

"I'm not sure what obligations they have," Dempsey said of HVA. "I think there are questions that deserve to be answered. Let's talk about the entire issue-lets talk about patient transport. I'm glad it's on the table-I think it's great. However, I don't think we should postpone the IGA for these items."

Dempsey suggested the potential revenue derived from transport could be used to correct equipment deficiencies in the fire department like outdated equipment and fire engines.

Heise said it's possible Northville Township may want to expand the township fire station building located at Wilcox and Schoolcraft roads.

The IGA agreement was scheduled for township board approval this week before going to Northville Township officials for approval.

Free Camp 911 offered

Plymouth city fire services Emergency Medical Service partners at Huron Valley Ambulance are once again offering a free Camp 9-1-1 this summer at the Plymouth Cultural Center. This event is open to any resident of Plymouth or Plymouth Township and will take place from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. July 10 and 11. While the day camp is free, it is necessary to preregister and space is limited and fills on a first-come, first-served basis.

This is a free, interactive, two-day camp for children ages 8-12.

Camp 9-1-1 activities include: Learning CPR and first-aid with paramedics; Exploring emergency vehicles; Touring local emergency departments and fire departments; Engaging in interactive presentations from local police and specialty teams. Pre-registration is required.

Register online at www.camp911.org

For more information, contact Camp Coordinator Jason Trojan at camp911@emergenthealth.org.

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INKSTER - ROMULUS

Inkster driver faces charges in crash death

Deandre Merkie Simmons, 42, of Inkster is facing multiple charges in a traffic accident that claimed the life of a 73-year-old South Lyon man and injured two others.

According to reports from the office of Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy, Simmons was intoxicated and drove his pick up truck on the wrong side of West Canfield Street mowing down the three pedestrians. The incident took place at about 5:15 p.m. June 8, striking the pedestrians who were viewing a Tesla car exhibit near the Shinola store in downtown Detroit.

A 65-year-old Milford woman and a 65-year-old Milford man were also injured in the incident that took the life of the 73-year-old. All three victims were taken to a local hospital for treatment of their injuries.

The 73-year-old man died from his injuries while the 65-year-old woman remained hospitalized and under treatment at press time. The 65-year-old was treated and released from the hospital.

According to police, alcohol is suspected to have been involved in the incident and Simmons was driving on a suspended driver's license.

Simmons has been charged with: driving with license suspended causing death; reckless driving causing death; operating under the influence causing death; driving while license suspended causing serious injury; reckless driving causing serious impairment and operating while intoxicated causing serious injury.

Simmons was arraigned Monday in 34th District Court in Romulus by video. He was issued a $100,000 cash bond with a requirement for an alcohol tether should he be released.

Local man accused of sexual attack on jogger

A 47-year-old Romulus man is facing felony charges in connection with an attack on a woman jogging in Oakwood Metro Park in Huron Township.

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy has charged Darien Noel Pickling with one count each of kidnapping; robbery not armed; assault with intent to commit criminal sexual conduct and assault with intent to commit great bodily harm.

According to reports from the prosecutor's office, Pickling was charged after a 26-year-old Rockwood woman jogging in the park at about 3:05 p.m. June 6 noticed a man riding a bicycle toward her in an area of the park with heavy shade trees. She told police she turned to run in the opposite direction, but the assailant caught up with her, punched her in the face several times and attempted to remove her clothing. The complainant told officers she fought the man and he ran from the area, taking her cell phone.

She told police that she ran from the scene in the opposite direction taken by her assailant and arrived at a nearby home where a woman allowed her to enter and use the phone. She called the Huron Township Police Department and reported the incident.

Pickling was arrested by Metro Park officers the same day and had the woman's cell phone in his possession.

Pickling, the father of five with a sixth child on the way, was arraigned June 8 at the 34th District Court in Romulus before Judge Brian Oakley who ordered a $100,000 cash/surety bond.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 009
CITY OF ROMULUS
APPENDIX A - ZONING
AMENDMENT 1.236

An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by conditionally rezoning certain property from RC, Regional Center to M-1, Light Industrial District.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SHORT TITLE: This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Amended Zoning Ordinance.

SECTION 1: To conditionally rezone 84.7 acres including portions of Parcel #80-038-99-0001-000, #80-038-99-0002-701, and #80-038-99-0004-703 from RC, Regional Center District to M-1, Light Industrial District.

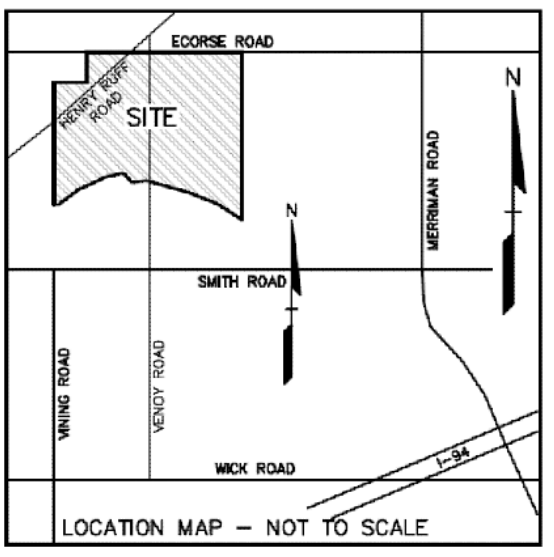
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Land situated in the City of Romulus, County of Wayne, and State of Michigan, described as:

Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 10, Town 3 South, Range 9 East, City of Romulus, Wayne County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 10, as recorded in Liber 28647, Page 723, Wayne County Records; thence along the West line of Section 10, as monumented, N01°10'07"W, 75.00 feet; thence N88°58'01"E, 75.00 feet to the easterly line of Proposed Vining Road as set forth in a Deed recorded in Liber 33974, page 806; thence along said easterly line N01°10'07"W, 856.03 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING;
thence continuing along said easterly line N01°10'07"W, 1400.63 feet;
thence N88°20'43"E, 175.00 feet;
thence N01°10'07"W, 240.00 feet to the south line of Ecorse Road (120' wide);
thence along said south line, N88°20'43"E, 2368.39 feet (recorded as N88°20'51"E, 2368.41 feet) to the North-South 1/4 line of Section 10;
thence along said North-South 1/4 line S00°35'49"E, 1873.44 feet to the approximate centerline of the North Branch of the Ecorse Creek Drain;
thence along said approximate centerline of Ecorse Creek the following ten (10) courses;

1. N58°00'53"W, 389.03 feet;
2. N69°23'32"W, 414.53 feet;
3. N75°13'29"W, 593.14 feet;
4. S81°28'27"W, 175.99 feet;
5. N78°39'54"W, 26.59 feet;
6. N42°02'22"W, 141.86 feet;
7. N81°06'16"W, 36.03 feet;
8. S76°51'05"W, 214.75 feet;
9. S64°00'18"W, 407.82 feet;
10. S52°12'18"W, 334.10 feet;

thence S88°49'53"W, 66.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.



The full amendment to this ordinance may be viewed at the Romulus City Clerk's Office, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council at the City of Romulus this 22nd day of May, 2017.

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Ordinance as passed by the City Council of the City of Romulus at a regular Council Meeting held in the City Council Chambers in said City on the 22nd day of May, 2017.

Introduced: May 8, 2017
Adopted: May 22, 2017
Published: June 15, 2017

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Honored visitor

Students at Barth Elementary received a recent visit and were honored by the Dean of Congress John Conyers. Conyers presented the students with congressional certificates of achievement for their participation in the Investwrite Stock Market Game. Conyers told the students, "Education is a ticket to success, and it is impressive that you are already thinking at a high school level". Conyers spent time taking questions and discussing current political and educational issues with the students. The Congressman's District Director Yolanda Lipsey, who is a Romulus High School graduate, was also oh hand and invited the students on a future tour of the Federal Building in downtown Detroit.

May 22, 2017

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Harry Crout, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.
Excused: Linda Choate, Sylvia Makowski.
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Barbara Fitzgerald, Deputy Clerk

1. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-141 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on May 8, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

3. Petitioner:

17-142 3A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to table the request from Michael Link, 12072 Schultz St. for a block party on Saturday, August 19, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. until petitioner provides signatures from neighbors showing their approval for the block party. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Chairperson's Report:

Councilman Wadsworth announced that the Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser for the Animal Shelter raised $3,602 and he thanked everyone who contributed to the event. Councilwoman Abdo introduced Andrianna Barden, the new college advisor at Romulus High School.

17-143 4A. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Gerald Keith Whitehill. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-144 4B. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Kenneth Choate. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff asked for a moment of silence in memory of Ken Choate. Dennis Davidson announced a list of upcoming City events.

17-145 5A1. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to adopt a resolution recognizing the many accomplishments of Vera F. Gibson during her lifetime of teaching in Romulus Community Schools. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-146 5A. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to concur with the administration and extend Bid 04/05-26 for the Merriman Road 2017 Maintenance Season through WH Canon in the amount of $45,500 for one year. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-147 5B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution for the implementation of a new Romulus Fire Department Cadet Program as outlined in the Cadet Booklet and proposed resolution. Discussion: A representative from Schoolcraft College spoke about the Fire Cadet Program. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-148 5C. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to concur with the administration to introduce Budget Amendment 16/17-25 to increase the revenues and the corresponding administrative fees for AccuMed cost recovery services.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
GENERAL FUND				
Revenues				
101-336-679.000	Fire Dept Cost Recovery	150,000	7,500	157,500
Expenditures				
101-336-818.000	Fire Dept. Contractual Services	22,830	7,500	30,330

To increase the revenues and the corresponding administrative fees for AccuMed cost recovery services. This Budget Amendment has no effect on fund balance. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6A. Clerk's Report:

Deputy Clerk, Barbara Fitzgerald, announced that the free city-wide yard sale rain dates have been approved for June 1st through June 4th.

17-149 6A1. Moved by **Wadsworth** seconded by **Abdo** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-24, State Forfeiture Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of May 8, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-150 6A2. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe** to schedule a special meeting (study session) for June 12, 2017 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss DUWA Amendment to Finance Levy. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-151 6A3. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve the second reading and approval of the rezoning, (zoning map amendment), special land use, and the conditional rezoning agreement as attached for 84.7 acres of property, legally described as set forth in the conditional rezoning agreement, which includes portions of Parcels 80-038-99-0001-000, 80-038-99-0002-701, 80-038-99-0004-703 from RC, Regional Center to M-1, Light Industrial with administrative review and approval of the final site plan. (Introduced at the Council meeting of May 8, 2017). **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-152 6A4. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve the 2017-18 amended City of Romulus Fee Schedule to be effective July 1, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-153 6A5. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve first reading of an ordinance to repeal Chapter 60, Taxicab, Transportation Network Co. and Vehicles for Hire, of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-154 6A6. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to approve first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 46, Peddlers and Solicitors, Article IV, Divisions 1 and 2, Sections 46-178 of the Romulus Code of Ordinances. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-155 6A7. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve first reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 30, Licensing, of the Romulus Code of Ordinances. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6B. Treasurer's Report:

City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, presented the City of Romulus Quarterly Investments Report.

7. Public Comment:

Jan Lemmon, Chairperson, Cemetery Board of Trustees, spoke about the Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Gina Steward, Editor of the Telegram Newspaper, spoke about the NAACP.

8. Unfinished Business: None

9. New Business: None

10. Communication:

Mayor Pro-Tem Barden gave a reminder that the Romulus Historical Society is hosting their annual Flea Market on Saturday, June 17, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. – any questions, contact Kathy Morse at 734-941-6361.

17-156 11. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 17-10 in the amount of $1,045,546.16. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

12. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on May 22, 2017.

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Festivals

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takes place on the Canton LIVE! stage. There will be a charity spaghetti dinner hosted by the Canton Firefighters Charity on Friday evening. Saturday morning the Canton Lions Club will serve their pancake breakfast. The Canton Rotary Club will again operate the beverage tent selling craft beers, ciders and soft drinks and water.

Many popular local bands will perform along with several local talents on the stage. Also planned is a special appearance by new cartoon heroes Captain Barnacles and Kwazii Kitten.

The H20 Zone will be open with fun water attractions and warriors of all ages can test their Ninja Warrior skills on the Warped Wall and Obstacle Course. Oasis Animals will provide a unique wildlife safari experience.

The festival will conclude Saturday evening with a spectacular fireworks display.

In Northville, the eighth Annual Arts and Acts Festival will return to downtown, shining a spotlight on the imagination, art, talent and cultural diversity of artists throughout the region.

The festival includes the 29th annual juried fine art show, Art in the Sun, featuring nearly 70 artists; the Sandbox Play Festival produced by Tipping Point Theatre; the Short on Words Literary Contest hosted by Preservation Dental; musical entertainment featuring some of metro Detroit's top musicians; children's activities; the 4th annual Northville Art House Chalk Festival; the new Young Artist Juried Art Fair and a large selection of food and drink.

The Arts and Acts festival will take place from 3-8 p.m. tomorrow, June 16, from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday throughout downtown Northville, centered at Main and Center streets.

For more information about Arts and Acts, visit www.northvillearthouse.org.

(Complete guides and programs for both the Belleville National Strawberry Festival and the Canton Liberty Fest are included as inserts in this edition of The Eagle.)

The dates on the cover of the Canton Liberty Fest program are incorrect, due to a typographical error. The Liberty Fest begins today, June 15 and ends Saturday, June 17 with the fireworks display.

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – June 6, 2017

A regular study session meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman, Williams Members Absent: None Staff Present: Director Faas, Director Hohenberger, Director Meier, Jeff Goulet – Community Planner, Bill Serchak – Engineering Services Manager Staff Absent: Director Trumbull **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to amend the agenda to add one Consent Calendar Item # C-1 – Set Public Hearing for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. Motion carried unanimously. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1: Set Public Hearing for Kingfa Science and Technology USA, Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to set the public hearing for June 13, 2017 to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Kingfa Science and Technology USA, for new property on Michigan Avenue. Motion carried unanimously. **STUDY SESSION: TOPIC 1: Township-Owner Properties** Director Faas presented to the Board an overview of a map depicting property currently owned by the township. A brief background on the public purposes of certain property acquisitions was discussed. Faas also shared with the Board some perspectives regarding future land use objectives along Michigan Avenue between Sheldon and Lilley Roads. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, commented on environmental study findings on the landfill and on the business associated with the landfill. **OTHER:** Hohenberger commented on Liberty Fest 2017 June 15-17, 2017. www.canton-fun.org. Trustee Anthony complimented Director Meier on their awards. Anthony also commented on June 6 and the anniversary of D-Day **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneideman to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. **__Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk __Pat Williams, Supervisor**

A copy of the board packet presentation is available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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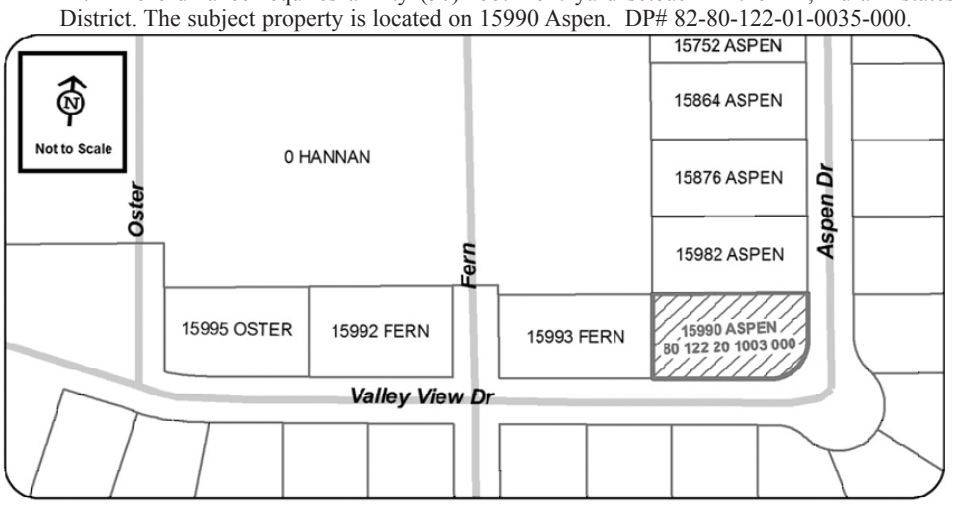
CITY OF ROMULUS

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
WEDNESDAY, July 5, 2017

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 5, 2017** at the Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road to consider the following petition:

1. BZA-2017-011; **Mark LaBonte** requesting a variance from Section 3.07(a), Schedule of Regulations of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a 32.86-foot front yard setback on Valley View Dr. The ordinance requires a fifty (50) foot front yard setback in the RE, Rural Estates District. The subject property is located on 15990 Aspen. DP# 82-80-122-01-0035-000.



Copies of the applications are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours which are 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said requests. Written comments may be submitted and should be addressed to Carol Maise, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.

Ellen Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DETROIT REGION AEROTROPOLIS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN

ON THE CREATION OF A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY AND THE DESIGNATION OF AUTHORITY DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE DETROIT REGION AEROTROPOLIS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGION:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Executive Committee of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Thursday, the 13th day of July, 2017, at 3:00 p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at the City Hall of the City of Romulus, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, Michigan 48174, to consider the adoption of a resolution establishing a Local Development Finance Authority and designating the boundaries of the authority district in which the Local Development Finance Authority will exercise its powers, pursuant to Act 281 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1986, as amended.

PROPOSED BOUNDARIES

The boundaries of the proposed district within which the Local Development Finance Authority shall exercise its powers are as follows:

THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS

At the public hearing, all residents, taxpayers, property owners from a taxing jurisdiction in which the proposed district is located or an official from a taxing jurisdiction with millage that would be subject to capture desiring to address the Executive Committee shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the establishment of the Local Development Finance Authority and the boundaries of the proposed authority district.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained by calling the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation at 734-992-2286.

This notice is given by order of the Executive Committee of the Detroit Region Aerotropolis Development Corporation, State of Michigan, pursuant to Section 4 of Act 281 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1986, as amended.

Wendy Sutton
Corporation Secretary

Publish: June 15 and 22, 2017

MEET UP and EAT UP™ Healthy food to fuel your summer.

Summer time does not have to be a hungry time for children……

Free Summer Meals

Will be provided by Romulus Community Schools and Chartwells Food Service

Romulus High School
9650 Wayne Rd.
Breakfast: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM
Lunch: 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon
Monday through Thursday
June 19, 2017 to August 17, 2017
No Meals Served
July 3, 2017 July 7, 2017

Jesus Christ Anointed Ministries
(formerly Merriman Elementary School)
Lunch: 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM
Monday through Friday
June 19, 2017 to August 18, 2017
No Meals Service July 3, 2017 July 7, 2017

Wick Elementary School
36900 Wick Rd.
Lunch: 11:00 A.M to 12:15 P.M.
Monday through Thursday
June 19, 2017 to August 17, 2017
Breakfast: 8:30 A.M. to 9:00 A.M.
July 17, 2017 August 17, 2017
Monday through Thursday

Coleman Center
35351 Beverly Rd.
Breakfast: 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM
Lunch: 12:00 PM to 12:30 PM
Monday through Thursday
No Meals served July 3 July 7, 2017

Please call Chartwells Dining Services at 734-532-1144 for more information.

Call 2-1-1 or text "FOOD" to 877-877 to find a site

You do NOT need to be a Romulus resident the door is open to EVERY CHILD!

Michigan Department of Education Summer Food Service Program
Who can participate?
1. Children who are 18 years of age or younger.
2. Disabled persons, regardless of age, who are determined by MDE or a local public educational agency (school district or public school academy) to be mentally or physically disabled and who participate in a public or non-profit private school program established for the mentally or physically disabled.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint alleging discrimination, write USDA, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

WAYNE - WESTLAND

Wayne Main Street seeks committee members

Officials from Wayne Main Street are looking for a few good men and women to serve on four standing committees of the organization.

Wayne Main Street is dedication to building a revitalized and vibrant downtown Wayne, a spokesman noted. As the organization continues to increase programs and projects, motivated leaders for various committees are needed.

Committee members will have the opportunity to work closely with the board of directors and staff members on a number of projects and community events, including the annual Scarecrow program, Small Business Saturday and fundraising events. Committee members also contribute to downtown beautification efforts - including organizing clean up days, façade improvements and other enhancements.

"Wayne Main Street is currently taking on a number of new and exciting projects that will benefit downtown Wayne, and we are looking for new leaders to come in and help our organization continue to improve the quality of life here in Wayne," said Maxwell Cameron, Wayne Main Street executive director.

Committee members commit to attending monthly meetings and are expected to participate in committee programs and events. The monthly commitment for a committee member can vary, the average is between 4-8 hours per month.

> *Committee membership is essential to the success of our organization.*

"Committee membership is essential to the success of our organization, we are looking for dedicated, community-minded folks to help with the work we do," said President of the Board of Directors of Wayne Main Street Juan Bradford.

All committee positions for 2017/2018 will be filled by Aug. 31. For more information about involvement, contact Wayne Main Street at director@downtownwayne.org or call (734) 629-6822.

Launched in 2011 by a group of caring individuals, Wayne Main Street has evolved into one of the largest civic organizations in Wayne. Last year, volunteers from the group contributed more than 2,700 service hours to the community. In 2014 the organization was recognized by the Michigan Main Street Association as a Select-Level Main Street community. Wayne Main Street employs the four-point Main Street approach by promoting downtown Wayne as the heart of the community, furthering a commitment to historic preservation, creating programming that draws people to downtown Wayne and producing premier events, according to a prepared release.

Rotary Club awards annual student scholarships

Winners of the Westland Rotary Club and James E. North scholarships this year included Rashad Kemp, left, Michael Lilley, Miranda Chahine, Eric Skiver, Loren Vail, Sarah Marshall and Maleena Johnson.

Winners of the James E. North Memorial Scholarships, awarded by C. Douglas North and Tom North, are, Rashad Kemp, Eric Skiver, Maleena Johnson and Ron Korby.

As has become a tradition, The Rotary Club of Westland presented scholarship to graduating students of John Glenn, Wayne Memorial and the William D. Ford Technical Center again this year.

In addition to the three $2000 scholarships, the club also presented, for the first time, three James E. North Memorial Scholarships in the amount of $2000 each. Funding for those scholarships was provided by North Brothers Ford Charitable Organization to honor Mr. James E. North.

Rotary Club member Judge Mark McConnell presented the awards during the regular club meeting at Joy Manor June 8 in front of an audience of parents, school principals and counselors at the event.

Each year the school counselors provide the club with applications from 10 students from each school. Four club members select the top three scholarship candidates and from those applicants, the winners are selected.

The club also presented the Arlene Douglass Scholarship in the amount of $2000, an annual award funded by Rotary member Don Douglass in memory of his late wife.

CITY OF WESTLAND

NOTICE

The City of Westland Summer 2017 Tax Bills will be mailed on or about July 1, 2017. The Summer Tax Bills are payable through August 15, 2017, without additional interest.

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CITY OF WESTLAND
SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES
MTG. 11 6/5/17

Presiding: President Godbout
Present: Cicirelli Bryant, Coleman, Hammons, Herzberg, Johnson, Kehrer
99: Minutes of regular meeting on 5/15/17.
- Minutes of study session 5/15/17.
- Bid for Ice Arena interior/exterior painting svcs. to Howell Construction; amt. $44,400.
- Change Order to KJP Roofing Contract for JBCVC roof replacement; amt. $34,000.
- MDOT Contract for resurfacing of Cowan Rd from Wayne Rd to Farmington, city's share $164,022.93.
- Intro Ord. 248-A-82, rezone CB-1 to CB-3, 34275 Ford Rd.
- Adopt LD Resolution-PID #56-022-99-0007-002, #022-99-0013-701, #022-99-0007-007, & #022-99-0007-703, s. side of Joy Road, w. of Hix Road.
- Adopt LD Resolution-PID #072-99-0003-705, n. & s. of Michigan, west of Henry Ruff.
- Appr. to remove/recycle obsolete legacy election equipment.
- Appr. placement of 2017 Summer Hazard/Board-Up Fees on 2017 Summer tax bills.

100: Close PH on Lacy St. Special Assessment.
101: Appr. rezoning CB-2 to CB-3, nw corner of Warren & Wayne Rds.
102: Appr. LD-parts of PID #015-99-0011-702 & #020-99-0001-717, WSC, nw corner of Warren Rd. & Wayne Rd.
103: Appr. checklist: $2,839,851.32.
Mtg. adj. at 9:32 p.m.

James Godbout
Council President

Richard LeBlanc
City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF MEETING

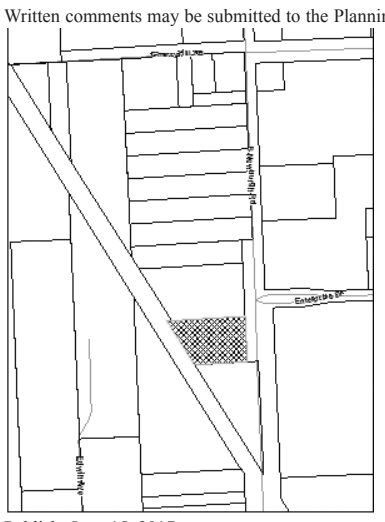
A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #1764C, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Truck Repair Facility, Parcel #053-99-0008-001, W Side of Newburgh Road, South of Cherry Hill Rd, Efrum Avramut; and

Case #1764D, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Truck Repair Facility, Parcel #053-99-0008-001, W Side of Newburgh Road, South of Cherry Hill Rd, Efrum Avramut

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 5, 2017.

Written comments may be submitted to the Planning Commission before 5:00 p.m. one (1) day prior to the scheduled meeting.



Kenneth B. Sharp, Chairman
Westland Planning Commission

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

CREATION OF CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS

ORDINANCE NO. 1016
Amendment #20

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER XII, ARTICLE 5 TO PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION CODE OF APPEALS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMPOSITION, APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRMAN, AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT; TO PROVIDE FOR OPERATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD MAY ESTABLISH A FEE SCHEDULE FOR APPEALS TO THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS; TO PROVIDE FOR ADDING SECTION 5.07; TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Ordinance No. 1016, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

SECTION I. AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER XII, ARTICLE 5

Chapter XII, Article 5, Sections 5.06 the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

XII-5.06 Construction Code of Appeals

A. Created.

There is hereby created in and for the Township a construction board of appeals.

B. Composition; chairman; qualifications.

The building board of appeals shall consist of 3 appointed members, plus the Building Official, whom shall be an ex officio member of said board but shall have no vote on any matter before the board. The members of the board of appeals shall be nominated by the Supervisor, and approved by the Township Board. Each member's term shall be two years. One member of the board shall be chosen and appointed by the Township Board to act as chairman. Persons appointed to the board of appeals shall be qualified by experience or training to perform the duties of members of the board of appeals.

C. Meetings.

Meetings of the building board of appeals shall be held at regular intervals and at such other times as the board chairman may determine. All meetings shall be held in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.261 et seq.

D. Operation.

If the Building Official refuses to grant an application for a permit for a matter regulated by the State Construction Code, or makes any other decision pursuant or related to the State Construction Code, an interested person, or the person's authorized agent, may appeal in writing to the board of appeals. The board of appeals shall hear the appeal and render and file its decision with a statement of reasons for the decision with the enforcing agency from whom the appeal was taken not more than 30 days after submission of the appeal. Failure by the board of appeals to hear an appeal and file a decision within the time limit is a denial of the appeal. A copy of the decision and statement of the reasons for the decision shall be delivered or mailed, before filing, to the party taking the appeal. The building board of appeals may adopt rules of procedure and shall keep records of appeals to it and decisions rendered.

F. Fees

The Township Board may establish a fee schedule for submitting an appeal to the construction board of appeals.

Chapter XII, Article 5, Sections 5.07 the Code of Ordinances is hereby added to read as follows:

Unless otherwise provided, any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than $500 or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

SECTION II. PENALTY.

Unless otherwise provided, any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than $500 or imprisoned for not more than 90 days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

SECTION III. REPEAL.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

SECTION V. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

The repeal or amendment herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION VI. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION VII. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth at its regular meeting called and held on the 13th day of June, 2017, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

Introduced: May 23, 2017, First Reading
June 13, 2017, Second Reading
Published: June 15, 2017
Adopted: June 13, 2017
Effective upon Publication: June 15, 2017

Jerry Vorva, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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Northville - Plymouth

'Fore'
Golf outing to aid schools

The Play Fore Education Golf Classic sponsored by the Northville Educational Foundation is planned for June 20 at Northville Hills Golf Club.

Presented by The Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James, the golf outing will feature a four-person scramble allowing persons of all skill levels a chance at the Golf Classic Cup. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Included in the registration fee are 18 holes of golf and cart; lunch at the turn; two drink tickets; morning cocktail reception; course contests; giveaways and the buffet dinner with carving station during the awards ceremony

Proceeds from the Golf Classic will help the Northville Educational Foundation enrich the education of the 7,300 students in the Northville Public Schools.

Individual and pair and foursome registrations are available online at: http://www.supportnef.org/Golf.html.

The golf outing is sponsored by: The Knickerbocker Group of Raymond James, AISIN Technical Center of America, Community Financial Credit Union, Tom Holzer Ford, Morello Law Group, Drs. Jeffrey and Stephanie Jaghab and Associates, Kerr Russell Attorneys & Counselors, Suburban Cadillac of Plymouth, Michigan Educational Credit Union, Excel Orthodontics, Marathon Petroleum, Lincoln Financial, AUCH Construction, Lusk Albertson, The Northville Gallery, Lloyd O'Dell Real Estate Group, Mary Kay Gallagher, PNC Bank, The Barritt Family and Cyndy Jankowski.

Digging in

Seven members of the Country Garden Club of Northville participated in the Maybury Farm Fest last week and helped about 200 children plant vegetables to take home to nurture and watch grow. The young gardeners planted tomatoes and some other vegetables during the day of farm events.

Funds

FROM PAGE 1

the letter signed by Jennifer Bickford, deputy chief. The township had received $1.9 million from the program between January 2010 and September 2014.

The purpose of the initial federal audit targeting the police department and then-Township Supervisor Richard Reaume was to assess whether equitable shared revenue and property were accounted for properly and used for allowable purposes. The auditors asked about lawsuits against the police department with descriptions of the litigation and to account for any "personal benefit in excess of $50 per year received by any official or employee from vendors or other companies working with the police agency that have been paid with federal asset forfeiture of DOJ grant and contract funds."

In January 2014, two police officers in Plymouth Township resigned after being on paid administrative leave for almost four months. Their resignations came as a result of an illicit sexual relationship one of them had with a female officer who brought suit against township for wrongful termination. When her attorney subpoenaed township emails and other communications, the relationship, along with the dereliction of duty of another officer and the lack of attention paid to the situation by the sergeant in charge, were discovered.

The federal audit found the township to be non-compliant with accounting procedures and regulations as former Treasurer Ron Edwards had control of the drug forfeiture records, accounts and actual funds. Federal rules require that the police chief or chief law enforcement official control the funds and complete the necessary reports and accounting.

Tiderington said Edwards did not allow him access to the financial reports or bank accounts linked to the drug forfeiture funds, prompting him to seek help from the justice department. He admitted last August that he did, in fact, notify the federal officials of the discrepancies. The DOJ sent auditors to the police department and township hall in August of 2014. At that time, the former slate of township officials attempted to obfuscate the situation and continued to refer to the investigation as a "training exercise" when questioned about the presence of the auditors.

The federal auditors determined that under Edwards' supervision, money from the drug forfeiture funds was used to pay civilian salaries, a clear violation of federal rules in addition to his unlawful control of the bank accounts. Federal officials demanded that $185,000 be returned from the township general fund to the drug forfeiture fund. Edwards protested the repayment claiming that the money had already been returned, although both the township auditing firm, Plante Moran, and the federal forensic auditors could not verify any such transfer.

No criminal charges have as yet been filed in the misuse of the funds.

Pistons Basketball Clinic set

The Plymouth YMCA will host a Pistons Academy Basketball Skills Clinic for boys and girls in grades 2 - 8 from 6-7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17 at St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church Gym.

Cost for the clinic is $35 per student. The church is located at 1343 Penniman Ave., Plymouth. For more information call (734) 453-2904 or contact Chelsea VanAssche at cvanasschе@ymcadetroit.org.

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32. Help Wanted Drivers

Holland

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Weekend home time! Visit: HollandProud.com or call: 866-305-3718

CDL-A Company Drivers Wanted! Local & Dedicated Routes. Great Pay, Benefits offered by Position. Offer Paid Training Program. Amanda: 586-920-0249

59. Auctions

CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION On June 20, 2017
the Westland Police
Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles.
The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

2004 HONDA ODYSSEY
5FNRL189X4B047177
2006 CHEVROLET SILVERADO
1GCEK19B66Z229393
2001 FORD F150
1FTRX18L81NB35027
2001 GMC SIERRA
1GTEK19TX1E176674
2000 OLDSMOBILE BRAVADA
1GHDT13W2Y2185130
2007 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER
1GNDS13S572301366
2005 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER
1GNDT13S452296932
1998 CHEVROLET S TRUCK
1GCCS1440W8215589
2000 FORD FOCUS
1FAFP3435YW382164
2005 SATURN ION
1G8AJ52F95Z104760
2003 LEXUS RX300
JTJHF10U430294014
2003 CADILLAC DEVILLE
1G6KD54Y53U277544
1997 FORD EXPLORER
1FMDU24E4VUC23113
2007 DODGE NITRO
1D8GU28K27W556615
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Getting 'REAL'

Van Buren Township begins new youth employment program

Visitors to Van Buren Charter Township later this month will find 35 fresh new faces hoping to help them with whatever they may need.

Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara and his team have created a new Summer Youth Job Initiative, The REAL (Revealing Exceptionally Amazing Leaders) and the students will begin work June 27.

The framework of the program was complete not long after McNamara took office in November, although funding wasn't found until March when a $47,497 grant was awarded to the township program from the Detroit Mental Health Authority.

When the program was announced, more than 75 young people applied for the available positions. They attended a meeting at township hall during which officials explained the details of the program. Students were also taken on a guided tour of township hall and the various departments and given pointers on interview techniques. The students then took part in speed interviews with department managers.

Based on the combined scores from the personal interviews and the students' applications, second interviews winnowed the candidates down to the 35 students hired.

Staff members from the Building, Planning and Economic Development, Parks and Recreation, Downtown Development Authority, Senior Services, Cable/IT, Public Services and Human Resources departments in the township have all been involved in the development of the program.

The 35 new township employees have now obtained and completed all the necessary paperwork and have attended a complete orientation meeting with human resources staff. The students will work at township hall for six weeks.

Students will engage in a weekly rotation of meaningful tasks designed to develop transferable employment skills; including community outreach, historical registration, digital museum archival, and administrative/office task exposure to each department within the township, a township spokesman said. Additionally, the student employees will take part in morning coffee break sessions with managers to review accomplishments and evaluate tasks at hand for the current workday. Other planned workshops include weekly Lunch and Learn sessions to provide students with a deeper understanding of the departments within the township and how collaborative efforts achieve positive results.

Throughout the program, students are required to attend a minimum of two township board of trustees, commission or committee meetings and have the opportunity to participate in the Young Professionals Day in Detroit Aug. 4.

The students will also participate in a car wash and barbeque for the September Days Senior Center Aug. 9 and attend a final wrap-up meeting Aug. 10.

Fraternity wins award for efforts in Canton

The Delta Sigma Phi, Gamma Tau Chapter, of Eastern Michigan University was the recent recipient of a 2017 Community Service Award presented by mParks, formerly known as Michigan Recreation and Park Association, in recognition of their ongoing commitment and contributions as Canton Leisure Services volunteers.

Members of Delta Sigma Phi Gamma Tau Chapter first began volunteering in the Canton community in 2014 and have since provided close to 700 hours of service. The group continues to play an important role in many of Canton Leisure Services special events by providing assistance within several key areas including: setting up and tearing down program venues, leading games and activities with participants, as well as dressing in costumes for Canton's annual Trick-or-Treat Parade, noted Recreation Specialist Jennifer Girard.

"This mParks Community Service Award is further proof that Canton's dedicated volunteers are truly making a difference within our community" said Girard. "Their volunteer commitment has helped save staff hours and wages and many events would not have been as successful without their hard work and smiling faces."

This volunteer partnership is mutually beneficial as Delta Sigma Phi Gamma Tau requires their members to complete 15 hours of community service per semester, according to Canton Facility Specialist Evan Sweet.

"In both the 2015 and 2016 academic years, Delta Sigma Phi completed and was recognized by the University Administration for the most accumulative hours of community service of any Greek organization at Eastern Michigan University by working with Canton Leisure Services," said Sweet. "The relationship between Canton Leisure Services and the Eastern Michigan University chapter of Delta Sigma Phi is unique as many communities don't have the opportunity to partner with college fraternities. This group helps break the stereotype associated with many college fraternities."

Glenn Arnold, Carter Smeader, Colin McCormack, chapter president Aaron Dill, Canton Facility Specialist Evan Sweet and mParks President Clay Summers are all smiles at the recent award presentation to Delta Sigma Phi Gamma Tau fraternity.

Presented each spring, mParks Community Service Awards recognize individuals and groups who show outstanding support to public recreation and park programs in their community. For additional information about mParks and the 2017 Community Service Awards, visit www.mparks.org.

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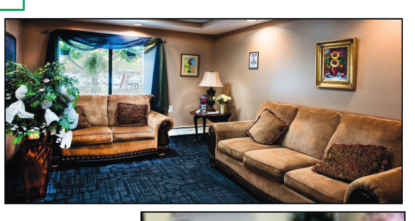

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Calendar of events

Farmers market now open

The Canton Farmers Market will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 12 (closed July 2) at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton.

This open-air-market features a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-crafted items. The Farmers Market will take place rain or shine.

Find the latest market information on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket.

Concert series begins

The Northville Summer Friday Night Concert Series - presented by Tom Holzer Ford - brings the music of some of the finest local musicians to downtown Northville Town Square from 7-9 p.m. every Friday night through Aug. 25.

The schedule features music from jazz to blues to rock 'n' roll. For more information, including a full schedule of performances, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

Death by Design on stage

Inspire Theatre in Westland will present Death By Design, a murder mystery comedy at 7:30 p.m. June 16, 17, 23 and 24 and at 3 p.m. June 11, 18 and 25.

All tickets for the performances are $16.

For information or tickets, visit inspiretheatre.com or call (734) 751-7057.

Annual Flea Market planned

The Romulus Historical Society Annual Flea Market will take place from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday, June 17, at Romulus Historical Park, 11147 Hunt St. in Romulus.

Vendors must furnish their own tables at the event.

For more information, contact Cathy Morse (734) 941-6361.

Summer Reading Carnival set

A Summer Reading Carnival is planned at the Romulus Public Library from 10-11:30 p.m. Saturday, June 17.

Wildlife Safari will be on site with live animals, superheroes are scheduled to visit and the Friends of the Library will be selling breakfast treats. There will be prizes, new games and other activities. This is a free event open to all ages.

Students should complete their reading passports to enter into the prize drawing to win lunch at the police station or the fire station, lunch with the mayor or a $25 VISA gift card from Wings Financial Credit Union.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589. The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

Father's Day run takes off

Registration for the Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run presented by Genisys Credit Union will begin at 8 a.m. Sunday, June 18 with the ¼ mile Kids Run; the 1-mile Fun Run will begin at 8:15 a.m. and the 5K run at 8:30 a.m. The 5K Walk will begin at 9 a.m., the 10K run at 9:15 a.m. Gazelle Sports Triple Register at www.plymouthfathersdayrun.org.

Volunteers are also needed and volunteer information is on the website above.

Legislator sets office hour

State Rep. Jeff Noble of Plymouth will host an open office hour from 5-6 p.m. Monday, June 19 at the Northville Library in Meeting Room B located at 212 W. Cady St. in Northville.

"I always enjoy the opportunity to connect with people directly," Noble said. "I encourage residents to attend. Listening to concerns of residents helps me better serve them."

No appointment is necessary. Those unable to attend may contact Noble at (517) 373-3816 or via email at JeffNoble@house.mi.gov.

Puppets put on a show

The Romulus Public Library will present Alex Thomas and Friends, a puppet show, as part of the Summer Reading Program

The free puppet show is planned for 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 20 at the library.

For more information, call (734) 942-7589. The library is located at 11121 Wayne Road in Romulus.

Pet Palooza at Farmers Market

The Westland Farmers and Artisans Market will welcome well-behaved dogs from 3-7 p.m. June 22.

Last Day Dog Rescue will be on site to facilitate adoptions during the day and there will be a pet treat and water station available.

The market takes place at 1901 N. Carlson, south of Ford Road in Central City Park. Vendors will be selling produce, plants, fresh foods and crafts. There is live music every week and EBT cards are accepted.

For more information, call (734) 326-7222 or westlandchamber@yahoo.com

Ladies Night in Wayne

The Wayne chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Ladies Night event from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, June 22.

Sponsorships for the event are still available.

The program will take place at 34844 West Michigan Ave. in Wayne. The reserve a spot or for more information, contact KC at director@waynechamber.net or call (734) 721-0100.

Firefighters host Barbeque

The Wayne Firefighters will host a charity Barbeque from noon until 3 p.m. June 17 at the fire station at 3300 South Wayne Road.

Firefighters will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs with condiments for a $5 donation.

There will be face painting, balloon animals and ice cream available during the event.

The event is open to the public. For more information, call (734) 722-1111.

Joint Shred Day set

The City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township will offer a shred day for all residents of both communities from 9 a.m. until noon (or trucks are filled) Saturday, June 24 at the Plymouth Cultural Center located at 525 Farmer in downtown Plymouth.

Shred Legal will be providing the onsite shredding services. Plymouth Township will host another joint shred event in the fall.

Paper to be shredded shall be limited to five banker boxes on each trip. Residents can make multiple trips throughout the morning, however. Documents can be in paper bags or boxes when brought to shredding. Documents in plastic bags must be removed from the plastic.

Residents participating must also provide proof of city or township residency with a driver's license, voter ID card, water bill, or property tax bill.

Michigan Mobile Hard Drive Shredding will also be on site to securely dispose of old and unused hard drives. For more information, email shred@ci.plymouth.mi.us.

Craft Beer Festival planned

Tapped in the Ville, a craft beer festival is planned from noon until 6 p.m. June 24 at Millennium Park, 45769 West Six Mile Road in Northville Township.

Tickets are priced at $30 per person and admission includes 10 tasting tickets and one ticket for a 12-ounce Tapped in the Ville mug.

Tickets are available at www.northville.org or at the Northville Chamber of Commerce office, 195 South Main St. in Northville.

The presenting sponsor of the event is Dick Scott Chrysler Jeep in Plymouth.

Packing party planned

Plymouth Community United Way and Pastel will host a Hygiene Kit Packing Party to benefit First Step from 10-11 a.m. n Saturday, June 24. Pastel is new to the Plymouth community offers a place for women to rent work space, attend workshops, and engage with one another.

Volunteers can choose and sign up for what items they would like to bring to the packing event for First Step.

First Step is the only non-profit agency in Wayne County providing comprehensive services for victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Pastel is located at 447 Forest Ave., Suite 1, Plymouth.

For more information call (734) 453-6879 x5.

Church hosts Healthy Living event

Redeemer Lutheran Church will host a Healthy Living event, including tips for living a healthy life from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday, June 24.

The program will take place at Wayne County Community College District Western Campus at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the church at (734) 740-4230 or redeemermi@yahoo.com or www.redeemerlutheranchurchmi.com.

Community Band sets concerts

The Belleville Community Band will perform two summer concerts this year at Belleville First United Methodist Church.

The first concert is set for 3 p.m. Sunday, June 25 and the next, again at 3 p.m. on July 30.

The concerts are free.

The church is located at 417 Charles St. in Belleville.

Diabetes classes offered

A program to help provide skills and tools to help people living with Type 2 diabetes live a healthier life will be available in the City of Wayne from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursdays through July 20.

The six-week program, sponsored by Beaumont hospitals, will include help with managing everyday activities and avoiding complications. Tips on balancing blood sugar and improving communications with family members and health care providers will be topics along with understanding the importance of monitoring blood sugar.

Other topics will include ways to manage symptoms and decrease stress and improving overall health.

There will be a bonus session in Wayne on July 27.

Sessions will place at the City of Wayne Senior Services, 4635 Howe Road in Wayne. To register, or for more information, visit Beaumont.org/classes-events or call (313) 586-5488.

The classes are sponsored in part by Ford Motor Co. Fund, the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan and The Senior Alliance.

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP WATER QUALITY REPORT

Plymouth Township's Annual Water Quality Report is now available. The report describes the source and quality of your drinking water.

The annual report has been required by law since the U.S. Congress passed the 1996 Safe Drinking Act Amendments.

Most of the Detroit metro area, including Plymouth Township, receives its drinking water from the Detroit River. The Great Lakes Water Authority (formerly Detroit Water and Sewerage Department) operates the water treatment facilities and pumping stations that supply water to the Township, which operates the pipeline infrastructure and acts as the retailer to area businesses and residents.

The report is available at http://www.plymouthtwp.org/Notices/PublicNotices/WaterQualityReport2016.pdf.
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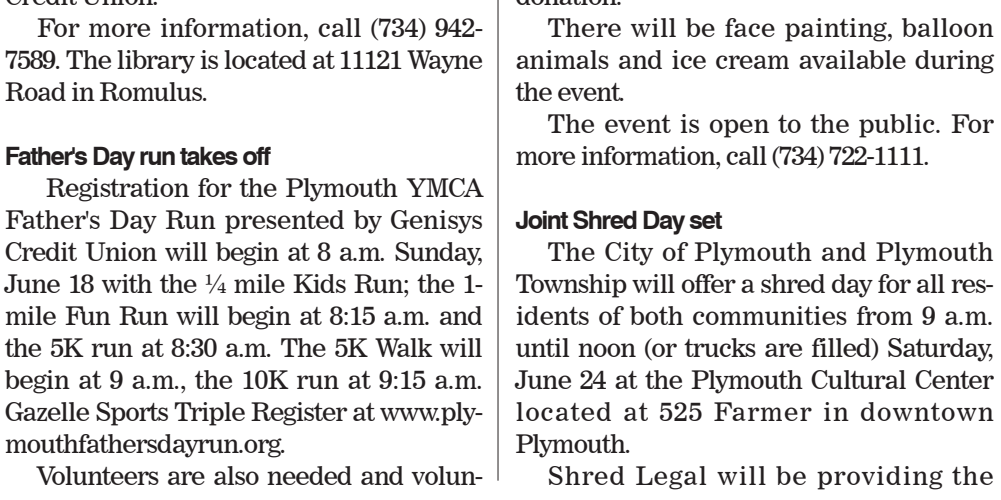
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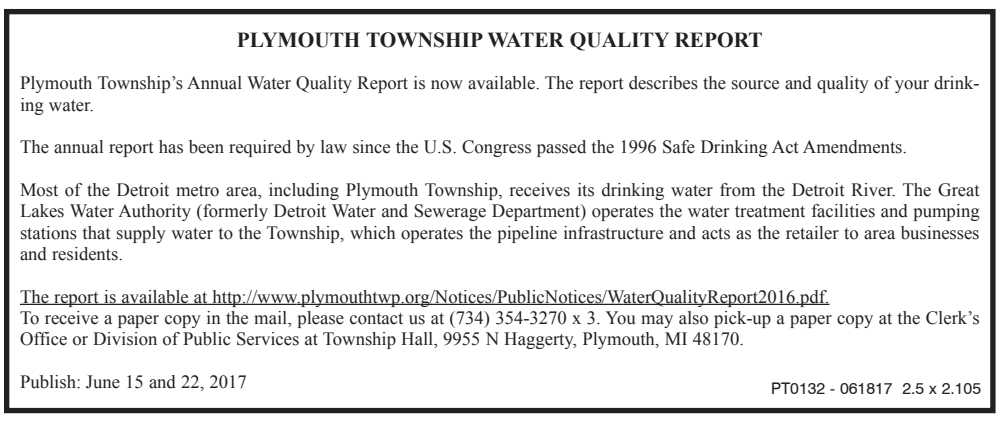

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